# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

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GENERIC EU MSDS - NO COUNTRY SPECIFIC DATA - NO OEL DATA

### SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Hydroquinone

Product Number : H9003

Brand : Sigma-Aldrich Index-No. : 604-005-00-4

REACH No. : A registration number is not available for this substance as the substance

or its uses are exempted from registration, the annual tonnage does not

require a registration or the registration is envisaged for a later

registration deadline.

CAS-No. : 123-31-9

### 1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

# 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Sigma-Aldrich Chemie GmbH

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#### 1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone # : 0800 181 7059 (CHEMTREC Deutschland)

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#### **SECTION 2: Hazards identification**

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

# Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302 Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318 Skin sensitisation (Category 1), H317 Germ cell mutagenicity (Category 2), H341

Carcinogenicity (Category 2), H351
Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 1), H400

Chronic aquatic toxicity (Category 1), H400 Chronic aquatic toxicity (Category 1), H410

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

# Classification according to EU Directives 67/548/EEC or 1999/45/EC

R40

R50

 Xn
 Harmful
 R22

 Xi
 Irritant
 R41

 R43

Dangerous for the

environment

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For the full text of the R-phrases mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

### 2.2 Label elements

### Labelling according Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Pictogram

Signal word Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H302 Harmful if swallowed.

H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

H318 Causes serious eye damage.

H341 Suspected of causing genetic defects.

H351 Suspected of causing cancer.

H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statement(s)

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.

P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove

contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

Supplemental Hazard

Statements

none

### 2.3 Other hazards

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

# **SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**

#### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms : 1,4-Benzenediol

1,4-Dihydroxybenzene

Hazardous ingredients according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Component		Classification	Concentration
Hydroquinone			
CAS-No. EC-No. Index-No.	123-31-9 204-617-8 604-005-00-4	Acute Tox. 4; Eye Dam. 1; Skin Sens. 1; Muta. 2; Carc. 2; Aquatic Acute 1; Aquatic Chronic 1; H302, H317, H318, H341, H351, H410	<= 100 %

Hazardous ingredients according to Directive 1999/45/EC

Component		Classification	Concentration
Hydroquinone			
CAS-No. EC-No. Index-No.	123-31-9 204-617-8 604-005-00-4	Xn, N, Carc.Cat.3, Mut.Cat.3, R22 - R40 - R41 - R43 - R68 - R50	<= 100 %

For the full text of the H-Statements and R-Phrases mentioned in this Section, see Section 16

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### **SECTION 4: First aid measures**

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

#### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

### In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

#### If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

### 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

### **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

#### Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Carbon oxides

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

#### 5.4 Further information

No data available

### SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

# 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust. For personal protection see section 8.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

### 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

### **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

#### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

For precautions see section 2.2.

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### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in cool place. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Air and light sensitive.

Storage class (TRGS 510): Non Combustible Solids

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

# **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

### 8.1 Control parameters

Components with workplace control parameters

### 8.2 Exposure controls

### Appropriate engineering controls

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

# Personal protective equipment

### **Eye/face protection**

Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

### Skin protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

The selected protective gloves have to satisfy the specifications of EU Directive 89/686/EEC and the standard EN 374 derived from it.

Full contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,11 mm Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,11 mm Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de,

test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

# **Body Protection**

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

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### Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

### **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance Form: crystalline

Colour: colourless

b) Odour No data available

c) Odour Threshold No data available

d) pH 3,7 at 70 g/l

e) Melting point/freezing

point

Melting point/range: 172 - 175  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  - lit.

f) Initial boiling point and

boiling range

285 °C - lit.

g) Flash pointh) Evaporation rate165 °C - closed cupNo data available

i) Flammability (solid, gas) No data available

j) Upper/lower No data available

flammability or explosive limits

flammability or

k) Vapour pressure 1 hPa at 132 °Cl) Vapour density 3,80 - (Air = 1.0)

m) Relative density 1,332 g/cm3

n) Water solubility 50 g/l

o) Partition coefficient: n-

octanol/water

log Pow: 0,59

p) Auto-ignition 515,56 °C

temperature

q) Decomposition temperature

No data available

r) Viscosity No data available
 s) Explosive properties No data available
 t) Oxidizing properties No data available

9.2 Other safety information

Bulk density 550 - 650 kg/m3

Solubility in other Methanol Solvents Diethylether

Relative vapour density 3,80 - (Air = 1.0)

### **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

# 10.1 Reactivity

No data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

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### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

#### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Air Light.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong bases, Strong oxidizing agents

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - No data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

# **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

### **Acute toxicity**

LD50 Oral - Rat - 367,3 mg/kg (OECD Test Guideline 401)

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - > 2.000 mg/kg

(OECD Test Guideline 402)

### Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available

### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

in vivo assay - Mouse

Result: May cause sensitisation by skin contact.

May cause allergic skin reaction.

(OECD Test Guideline 429)

### Germ cell mutagenicity

Laboratory experiments have shown mutagenic effects.

In vitro tests showed mutagenic effects

DNA repair

Rat - Liver cells

Result: negative

Mutagenicity (micronucleus test)

Mouse

Result: positive

### Carcinogenicity

This product is or contains a component that has been reported to be possibly carcinogenic based on its IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or EPA classification.

Limited evidence of carcinogenicity in animal studies

IARC: 3 - Group 3: Not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans (Hydroquinone)

### Reproductive toxicity

No data available

### Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

No data available

# Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

### **Aspiration hazard**

No data available

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#### **Additional Information**

RTECS: MX3500000

Absorption into the body leads to the formation of methemoglobin which in sufficient concentration causes cyanosis. Onset may be delayed 2 to 4 hours or longer.

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

### **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

### 12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 0,04 - 0,1 mg/l - 96,0 h

Toxicity to daphnia and

EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 0,13 mg/l - 48 h

other aquatic invertebrates

Toxicity to algae EC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae) - 0,335 mg/l - 72 h

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability Biotic/Aerobic - Exposure time 14 d

Result: 86 % - Readily biodegradable

# 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation Leuciscus idus (Golden orfe) - 3 d

- 50 µg/l

Bioconcentration factor (BCF): 40

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

### 12.6 Other adverse effects

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

### **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

#### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### **Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

### **SECTION 14: Transport information**

### 14.1 UN number

ADR/RID: 3077 IMDG: 3077 IATA: 3077

### 14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (Hydroquinone) IMDG: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (Hydroquinone)

IATA: Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s. (Hydroquinone)

### 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 9 IMDG: 9 IATA: 9

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14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: III IMDG: III IATA: III

14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: yes IMDG Marine pollutant: yes IATA: yes

### 14.6 Special precautions for user

#### **Further information**

EHS-Mark required (ADR 2.2.9.1.10, IMDG code 2.10.3) for single packagings and combination packagings containing inner packagings with Dangerous Goods > 5L for liquids or > 5kg for solids.

# **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

This safety datasheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

No data available

### 15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

For this product a chemical safety assessment was not carried out

### **SECTION 16: Other information**

#### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

Acute Tox. Acute toxicity

Aquatic Acute Acute aquatic toxicity
Aquatic Chronic Chronic aquatic toxicity

Carc. Carcinogenicity
Eye Dam. Serious eye damage
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H341 Suspected of causing genetic defects.

H351 Suspected of causing cancer. H400 Very toxic to aquatic life.

H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

### Full text of R-phrases referred to under sections 2 and 3

N Dangerous for the environment

Xn Harmful

R22 Harmful if swallowed.

R40 Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect.

R41 Risk of serious damage to eyes.

R43 May cause sensitisation by skin contact.

R50 Very toxic to aquatic organisms.
R68 Possible risk of irreversible effects.

### **Further information**

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